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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449.

An explanation of relevance for the cited Japanese publication is given in the English abstract attached to that publication and on page 2 of the specification. Note that U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0163665 is in the same patent family as the Japanese publication. No copy of the listed U.S. Patent Application Publication is enclosed, in accordance with current U.S. patent practice.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Application:

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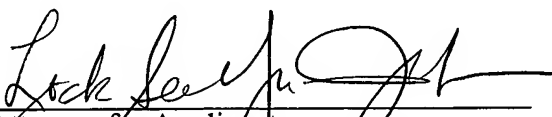
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A copy of the cited Application is enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that the cited documents be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that the listed documents have been considered and made of record in this application.

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